

Exhibit No. 7Date 2-5-07Amendments to Senate Bill No. 140
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Requested by Senator Dan Weinberg

For the Senate Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee

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1. Title, page 1, line 13.

Following: "COVERAGE;"**Insert:** "DEDICATING SPECIFIC APPROPRIATION FUNDS;"

2. Page 4, line 5.

Following: "{a}"**Insert:** "(a)"

3. Page 4.

Following: line 10**Insert:** "(b) The term includes small employers who obtain group health insurance coverage through a qualified association health plan."

4. Page 4.

Following: line 26**Insert:** "(10) \"Qualified association health plan\" means a plan established by an association whose members consist of employers who sponsor group health plans for their employees and purchase that coverage through an association that qualifies as a bona fide association, as defined in 33-22-1803, or non-bona fide, as provided for in administrative rule. A qualified association health plan is subject to applicable employer group health insurance law and must receive approval from the commissioner to operate as a qualified association health plan for the purposes of this part."**Renumber:** subsequent subsections

5. Page 7, line 30.

Following: "plans,"**Insert:** "the approval of qualified association health plans,"

6. Page 8, line 19.

Strike: "and"

7. Page 8.

Following: line 23**Insert:** "(11) approve or disapprove associations as qualified if

their members consist of employers who sponsor group health plan coverage for their employees and purchase that coverage through an association that qualifies as a bona fide association, as defined in 33-22-1803, or non-bona fide, as provided for in administrative rule. A qualified association health plan is subject to applicable employer group health insurance law."

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8. Page 12, line 15.

Following: "(2)"

Insert: "(a)"

9. Page 12, line 17.

Following: "credit."

Insert: "(b) (i)"

10. Page 12.

Following: "health plan."

Insert: "(ii) Sixty percent of any additional funds up to \$1 million appropriated to this program from the special revenue account that is an increase over the prior biennium must be dedicated to provide and maintain premium incentive payments and premium assistance payments for employers who have not sponsored group health plans in the previous 2 years and who choose to join the purchasing pool as provided in 53-6-1201(3)(e).

(iii) Forty percent of any additional funds up to \$1 million appropriated to this program from the special revenue account that is an increase over the prior biennium must be dedicated to provide and maintain tax credits, as provided in 53-6-1201(3)(d), for employers who have not sponsored group health plans in the previous 2 years and who choose to join a qualified association health plan.

(c)"

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